

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor(s) : David WILSON et al.
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Group Art Unit : 1793
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION
FILED WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

EXAMINER:

In response to the Final Official Action dated February 11, 2009, together with the filing of the Request for Continued Examination ("RCE"), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in light of the following amendments and remarks:

In The Claims:

Please amend claims 1 and 17, as provided below in the associated claim listing on separate sheets: